

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CLUB COUNCIL AT HIGHFIELD HOUSE ON 29 JULY 2009

Item		Action
1	<p><u>Attendance and apologies:</u></p> <p>Present: RKC (President), RY, HC, DB, RP, AF, AS, JD, JH, ST, MW, RB Apologies: TP.</p> <p>Also present (particular items): T Brett, J Harris, C Lees, N Miller</p>	
2	<p><u>Minutes of meeting of 24 June 2009</u> : these minutes were agreed.</p>	
3	<p><u>Matters arising not covered elsewhere in the agenda</u></p> <p>Item 7 of the minutes, AOB "The cost of Rotary": Cost of each event should be kept as low as possible. Principle of value for money should be maintained. Views of Council Members to be gathered; costs of Rotary should be reviewed in three months time.</p>	<p>President/ Secretary</p>
4	<p><u>President's Business</u></p> <p>a) <u>Club Direction</u>: President asked Committee Chairmen to present the Club Direction Report to their Committees, with a view to incorporating appropriate strategies and themes in their work. A review of progress to be made later in Rotary year.</p> <p>b) <u>Interact</u>: SL Girls Grammar School Interact remains strong. With regard to preliminary action by PP Philip Abbott on new Interacts, it was agreed to place emphasis on creating one for Barton Court Grammar School.</p> <p>c) <u>Credit crunch conference project</u>: President's proposal favorably received. Three suggestions re objectives: making a directory of organizations concerned with credit problems; getting greater resources for the Citizens Advice Bureau if it was to play a major role in the area; remedying "black holes" concerning bodies barred from receiving assistance. Lists of sponsors and organizations to be invited should be circulated, with a view to Council endorsement of the Conference at next meeting.</p>	<p>President/Cttee Chairmen</p> <p>President/Cttee Chairmen</p> <p>President/ Ad hoc group</p>

5	<p><u>Treasurer's report</u></p> <p>Position of Club Funds at 29 July 2009 was noted. Provisional net figure for the Auction of Promises was £6112.10, with gift aid not yet taken into account. Duck Race: net 3427.48, with £1300.00 to come from corporate ducks.</p>	
6	<p><u>Committee reports</u></p> <p>a) <u>Club Service</u></p> <p>Attendance by partners at Tuesday evening meetings: Council agreed that Club Service Committee should consider opening up certain evening meetings on 2nd Tuesdays to attendance by partners, at its discretion and giving reasonable advance notice of these.</p> <p>Dining financial arrangements: Rotn Caroline Lees will take over responsibility for attendance numbers and financial arrangements for meals as from 30 July.</p> <p>b) <u>Community and International Service</u></p> <p>Committees will shortly be holding first meetings of new Rotary year.</p> <p>c) <u>Fund Raising</u></p> <p>Council endorsed Committee plans for the coming year involving new and ongoing projects.</p> <p>d) <u>Public Relations and Communications</u></p> <p>Committee will shortly be holding first meeting of new Rotary year. In answer to a question, MW reported that the bill for establishing the new website has not yet been received - he will contact the organization concerned.</p> <p>e) <u>Vocational Service</u></p> <p>NM reported that the Committee wanted to restart public speaking and mock interviews projects in schools: it would shortly visit Canterbury High School in this regard. DB suggested joint action with the East Kent English Speaking Union, which was currently conducting public speaking projects in schools.</p> <p>f) <u>Foundation</u></p> <p>AS stated that there were no Ambassadorial Scholars this year; also</p>	

	<p>that Rotn Peter Hermitage had had to withdraw his candidature as leader of the District Group Study Exchange Team visiting Virginia owing to pressure of new responsibilities.</p> <p>g) <u>Pentangular</u></p> <p>Council endorsed, subject to presentation to the Club, the Committee's view that a new Netherlands Club should be sought for the Pentangular after the decision of the Utrecht Club not to organize any further Pentangular meetings. This view would be presented to the Inter-Club Pentangular Committee. The Utrecht Club had pledged to honour commitments re Pentangular Ghana Project.</p>	
7	<p><u>Secretary's Report</u></p> <p>New notepaper, banners and badges will be ordered. Leave of absence granted to Rotn D. Crabtree for the period 1 August to 8 September 2009.</p>	

8	8. <u>Next meeting</u> 26 August 2009 at Highfield House.	
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